



The Consortium for **Social and Policy Research** on **HIV, Hepatitis C** and **Related Diseases**

Workshop Increases in HIV infections: Challenges for researchers and educators

Thursday March 18, 2004

L'Aqua @ Cockle Bay

Aims

- ▶ To better understand the social and cultural contexts of increases in HIV infections amongst gay men in NSW
- ▶ To generate research questions that are informed by these social and cultural contexts
- ▶ To build prospective teams of researchers and practitioners to design research projects
- ▶ To share knowledge amongst delegates and presenters
- ▶ To challenge participants.

The Workshop

Will be held at the luxurious **L'Aqua** in beautiful **Cockle Bay** on **Thursday March 18 from 9am**.

The workshop has been designed to maximise the delegates involvement and learning potential. **Be prepared to be challenged!**

Who should attend?

This workshop is intended for researchers, educators, managers and policy makers working in HIV/AIDS education and health promotion in NSW.

Guest Speaker Gary Dowsett

Gary W. Dowsett, PhD, is currently Associate Professor in Sociomedical Sciences in the Mailman School of Public Health, at Columbia University in New York. In 1997, he became Associate Professor and Deputy Director of the Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, at La Trobe University.

Since 1986, he has been researching the nature and impact of the HIV epidemic on Australia's gay communities. He has also worked as a consultant to WHO's Global Programme on AIDS in Geneva, and as an adviser to the United Nations Development Programme and the Joint United Nations Programme on AIDS (UNAIDS) over the last thirteen years. He has developed a number of training programs in community-based research and qualitative research design.

The author, co-author or editor of five books, twenty-three book chapters and over thirty academic articles, his most well-known book is *Practicing Desire: Homosexual Sex in the Era of AIDS*, published by Stanford University Press.

Speakers Kane Race (NCHSR) **Antony Nicholas (PLWHA)** Brent Mackie (NSW Health) **Stevie Clayton (ACON)** Justin McNab (SPRC)

Cost

There is a registration fee of \$50 per participant per workshop. You may be eligible for funding from NSW Health Workforce Development Program to attend. Funding covers registration fees and, where appropriate, travel and accommodation costs. Check the guidelines for applying for a WDP Grant in the *WDP Training Directory* or at www.wdp.nsw.gov.au

Registration

To register and to be placed on the mailing list for future workshops, please email Rodney McDonald at rodney.mcdonald@unsw.edu.au

Please note: There are strictly limited numbers and delegates will be selected on a first come first serve basis contingent on them meeting the delegate profile above. **Registrations open on February 16 and close on March 12.**

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